GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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VILLAGES IN BORDER AREAS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated number of villages located in the Indo-China border and the population of those villages;

(b) whether the Government is aware of the large scale migration, food scarcity, lack of basic amenities due to heightened tension in the border areas; and

(c) if so, the measures taken by the Government to protect the people living in all the border villages in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a): There are 1334 estimated numbers of villages located in the Indo-China Border with population of 233940 based on the 2001 census as furnished by the State Governments.

(b) & (c): No such information regarding large scale migration, food scarcity, lack of basic amenities due to heightened tension in the border areas has come to notice. Government has been implementing a Border Area Development Programme through the State Governments as part of a comprehensive approach to Border Management with the aim to provide balanced development of Border Areas through growth and improvement of infrastructure and promotion of sense of security and well being among the border population in the country. Border Guarding Forces have been deployed on the borders. Border Guarding Forces also frequently organize Civic Action Programmes in the border areas to develop sense of security among local population and to improve health, capacity building, promoting education, provide veterinary assistance, etc.